GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

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IMPORT OF HEIFERS AND BULLS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to import heifers and bulls to achieve semen production in order to increase animal population;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reason therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) (b) & (c): Yes, Sir.

Import of bulls and heifers for the Bull Mother Farms and Frozen Semen Bull Stations in the country is needed for the production of Frozen Semen. The semen is used for the genetic upgradation of the low producing cattle and not to increase the cattle population.